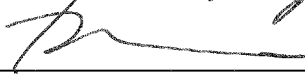


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Applicants request that the period for response in the above-identified patent application be extended two months through and including May 9, 2011, the fees for which have been paid at the time this Amendment was filed.

In response to the Office Action dated December 8, 2010, please amend the above-identified application as follows: